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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 7/25/60

WEATHER This was a hot, dry week with high humidity, abundant sunshine, and light winds. Precipitation shown on the second page occurred on the nights of the 16th and 17th. Large areas of hail destruction accompanied this rainfall in many localities. There were only minor day-to-day temperature changes with the north and west averaging two to four degrees above normal, the south central about three degrees below, and near normal elsewhere.

CROPS Harvest of small grain and hay crops made marked strides during the week. Clear weather permitted other field work to advance rapidly.

Winter wheat harvest was nearly 90 percent finished by the end of the week. Fields remaining for harvest are mostly confined to the extreme western and northern areas. In spite of the late start this season, progress during the last two weeks was rapid enough to assure completion of wheat harvest at about the usual time. Oats harvest gained momentum. About three-fifths of the crop is cut. Uneven ripening caused a few delays, but harvest is expected to be nearly complete in the next week or so, barring unusual delays.

Corn and milo made good to excellent progress. Irrigation was fairly general as surface moisture was getting a little short. Some localities in the southwest and in the north need rain for continued favorable development of row crops. A little over 20 percent of the corn crop is tasselled, which is slightly ahead of the usual progress to this date. Stage of growth varies considerably, but some irrigated corn is well advanced in the silking stage. A little over 5 percent of the milo crop is headed.

Haying operations continued at a fast pace. The second cutting of alfalfa is nearly 80 percent complete and the third cutting is getting a start. Much of the wild hay crop has been stacked or baled.

Pastures and range feed are curing fast in most places. Some upland pastures were getting a little short in the drier sections. In general, feed is plentiful.

LIVESTOCK Livestock were holding up fairly well in the hot weather, but gains and production rates levelled off or turned downward. Spring lamb marketings were on the increase and the movement of the 1960 spring pig crop was starting. Contracting or movement of feeder cattle was considered rather slow.

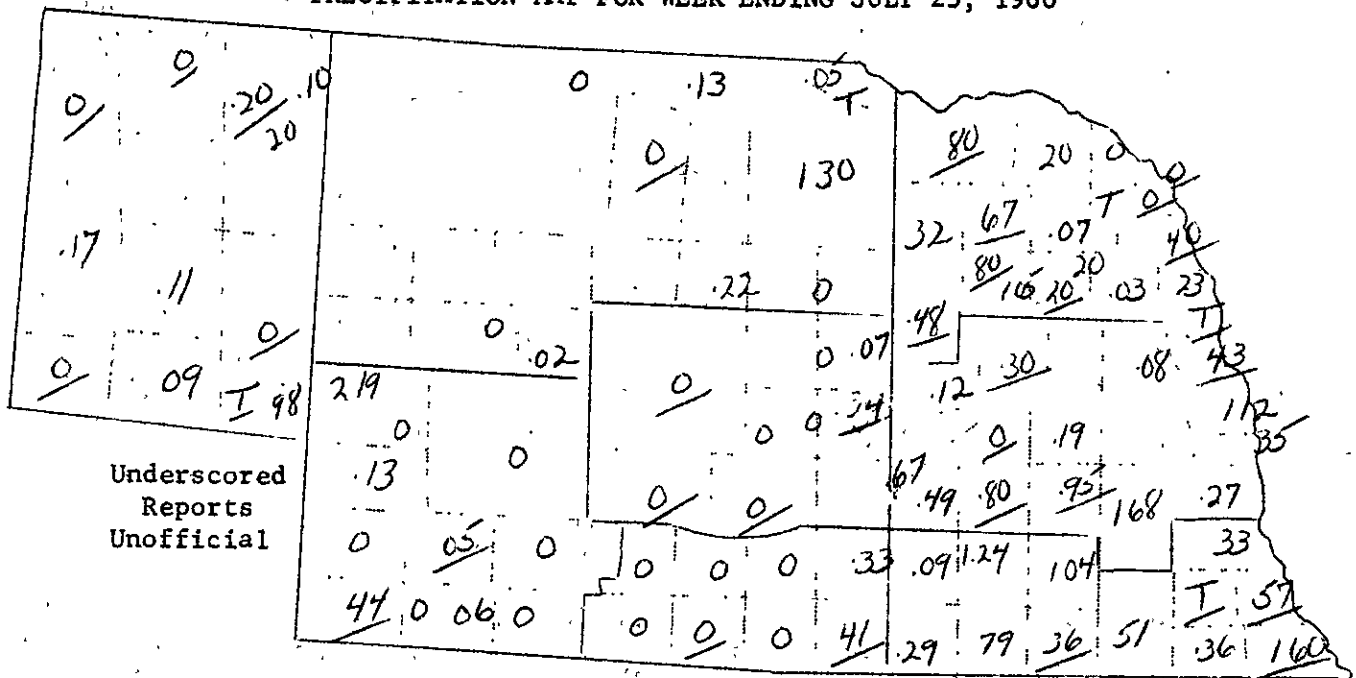
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 25, 1960

	<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>			<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	0	Burwell	0	Chadron	T		
Lincoln	0	North Platte	T	Imperial	0		
Norfolk	T	Valentine	0	Scottsbluff	0		
Omaha	0			Sidney	.23		
Sioux City	.01						

Precipitation, April 1 - July 22, 1960

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.28	.05	.34	.16	.70	.02	.05	.58
Total since April 1	7.43	11.98	14.89	13.88	15.31	8.10	15.76	14.67
Long-time Avg. since April 1	9.09	10.45	12.12	11.46	12.59	9.83	11.63	13.63

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 23, 1960



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:30 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:30 a.m. CST)

		July 19th		20th		21st		22nd		23rd		24th		25th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	92	57	97	66	102	67	106	64	97	70	103	65	94	66
	Scottsbluff	88	57	93	59	98	60	99	61	98	63	100	64	90	60
	Sidney	87	54	90	57	92	52	95	55	96	57	97	59	95	57
NC	Burwell	86	59	93	66	92	68	93	62	95	61	93	63	--	--
	Valentine	90	56	--	71	97	69	100	64	101	66	99	72	100	63
NE	Norfolk	85	65	91	68	92	71	93	68	94	67	92	67	91	68
	Sioux City	90	66	92	67	93	69	95	70	95	69	93	70	92	70
Cen	Grand Island	84	60	90	65	90	69	92	64	91	63	91	64	90	66
EC	Lincoln	84	68	92	70	92	71	94	71	92	68	88	69	90	69
	Omaha	83	69	88	68	89	71	90	71	89	69	87	69	87	68
SW	Imperial	85	55	89	61	91	59	93	59	93	59	94	61	97	63
	North Platte	87	55	92	68	92	66	94	62	94	62	94	63	94	63

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